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Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations

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Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. At its 19th plenary meeting, on 20 September 2002, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-seventh session the items entitled "Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations", "Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003" and "Administrative and budgetary coordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency" and to allocate them to the Fifth Committee.

2. At its 26th meeting, on 18 November 2002, the Fifth Committee considered the first report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the activities of the Advisory Committee during the fifty-sixth session of the General Assembly (A/57/7).[1] Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary record (A/C.5/57/SR.26).

3. At the same meeting, the Committee, on the proposal of the Chairman, decided, without objection, to recommend to the General Assembly that it take note

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with appreciation of the above-mentioned report of the Advisory Committee and requested the Secretary-General to bring it to the attention of the executive heads of the specialized agencies and the funds and programmes concerned (see para. 4).

II. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

4. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decision:

Activities of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions during the fifty-sixth session of the General Assembly

The General Assembly decides to take note with appreciation of the first report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the activities of the Advisory Committee during the fifty-sixth session of the General Assembly[1] and requests the Secretary-General to bring the report to the attention of the executive heads of the specialized agencies and the funds and programmes concerned.